

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

The attached sheet(s) of drawings includes changes to Figs. 7-8D. The figures have been labeled "Conventional Art." This is supported by the specification at page 16, line 27-page 17, line 10. No new matter is added.

Attachment: Replacement sheets

REMARKS**Restriction and Election Requirements**

The Examiner requires restriction to one of the following inventions identified in the Office Action:

- I. Claims 1-11, drawn to a cutter for cutting out a member
- II. Claims 13-20, drawn to a method for cutting out a member

Applicants hereby elect invention group I.

The Examiner further requires election a single species for examination from among the following:

- Species I. Figs. 1-5;
- Species II. Fig. 6;
- Species III. Figs. 7-8D;
- Species IV. Figs. 9-10 and 12; and
- Species V. Figs. 11 and 13

Applicants hereby elect Species I. Claims 1-4, 7, 8, 10, 11, 13-15, 18-20 read on the elected species.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendment, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance. Prompt and favorable action is earnestly solicited. If there are any remaining issues which the Examiner believes could be resolved through either a Supplemental Response or an Examiner's Amendment, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below.

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REPLACEMENT SHEETS